# GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
# MINORITY AFFAIRS
# LOK SABHA

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Scholarship under MAEF
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**Will the Minister of MINORITY AFFAIRS be pleased to state:**

(a) whether there is delay in disbursal of scholarships under Maulana Azad Education Foundation (MAEF);
(b) if so, the details thereof;
(c) whether the Government is intending to increase the corpus of the MAEF scheme and proposes to increase the number of beneficiaries of the scholarship programme by amending the eligibility criteria; and
(d) if so, the details thereof?

## Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF MINORITY AFFAIRS
(SHRI MUKHTAR ABBAS NAQVI)
(a) No, Madam.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) &(d) Government hasdecided to increase the Corpus Fund of MAEF from Rs. 750 Crore to Rs. 1250 Crore by contributing Rs. 500 Crore during 12th Five Year Plan. So far, Government has already contributed Rs. 386 Crore and the Corpus fund at present is Rs.1136 Crore. There is no need to amend the eligibility criteria for Scholarships because MAEF reviews the number of scholarships to be awarded annually based on its financial resources, and the number of annual awards has increased as follows in the last three years including current financial year:

| Financial Year | Target (Number of Scholarships for award) | Achievement (Number of Scholarships awarded) |
|---|---|---|
| 2013-14 | 35,000 | 35,159 |
| 2014-15 | 45,000 | 45,426 |
| 2015-16 | 50,000 | -- |

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